

**City of Franklin Common Council  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
November 19, 2012**

The regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Franklin, Indiana was called to order at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall, 70 E. Monroe Street, with Mayor Joseph E. McGuinness presiding. Council members Joseph Abban, Kenneth Austin, Stephen Barnett, Robert Henderson, Stephen Hougland, and Richard Wertz answered roll call. Clerk-Treasurer Janet P. Alexander, Records Clerk Kathy Cragen, City Attorney Lynnette Gray were also present. Council member Joseph Ault was absent.

Mayor McGuinness opened the meeting and asked the Clerk-Treasurer to call the roll. Mr. Barnett offered an invocation, which was followed by a recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Public Comments**

Mayor McGuinness asked if anyone present wish to speak on any matter not listed on the agenda. No one came forward.

**Consent Agenda**

Mayor McGuinness presented the consent agenda for approval.

- Approval of the November 5, 2012 Common Council Minutes
- Common Council Budgetary Resolution No.: 12-11 A Budgetary Resolution Authorizing a Transfer - Capital Outlays 400 to Supplies 200 & Other Services 300 in Cemetery Budget

Council President Barnett made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, seconded by Councilor Abban. A voice vote was taken with all members stating Aye. No members stating Nay. The motion carried.

**Old Business**

Council President Barnett made a motion to read both items listed under old business by title only, seconded by Councilor Austin. A voice vote was taken with all members stating Aye. No members stating Nay. The motion carried.

**Public Hearings**

**Common Council Budgetary Ordinance No.: 12-09 A Budgetary Ordinance Fixing the Annual Salaries and Providing Compensation for all Elected Officials of the City of Franklin, Indiana for Year 2013 Amended After Introduction** Mayor McGuinness read the title. City Attorney Gray stated that this item was acted on at the last meeting but there was not a public hearing. Mayor McGuinness opened the floor for a public hearing. No one asked to speak. Council President Barnett made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilor Abban. A voice vote was taken with all members stating Aye. No member stating Nay. The motion carried.

**Common Council Ordinance No.: 12-25 An Ordinance Regarding the Cost of Public Fire Protection Service to be Provided by Indiana American Water Co., Inc.** Mayor McGuinness read the title aloud. A discussion was held. Mayor McGuinness opened the floor for a public hearing. No one asked to speak. Council President Barnett made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilor

Abban. A voice vote was taken with five Councilors: Abban, Austin, Barnett, Henderson & Wertz stating Aye, Councilor Hougland stating Nay. The motion carried.

### **New Business**

**Ordinance No.: 12-27 An Ordinance for the Purpose of Redistricting the Common Council of the City of Franklin, Indiana** Council President Barnett made a motion to read by title only, seconded by Councilor Abban. Mayor McGuinness read the title aloud. Mr. Brian Bosma, Esq., of Kroger Gardis & Regas, LLP came forward and presented the redistricting plan. A discussion was held. Mayor McGuinness opened the floor for a public hearing. No one asked to speak. Councilor Abban made a motion to adopt on first reading, seconded by Councilor Wertz. A voice vote was taken with all members stating Aye. No members stating Nay. The motion carried.

### **Other Business**

There was none.

### **Council Comments**

Councilor Austin stated that there will be an EDC meeting next week.

Councilor Wertz stated that there will be a special RDC meeting Wednesday November 21, to discuss the shell building project.

Councilor Hougland stated that there will be an FDC meeting on Wednesday November 21.

### **Announcements & Presentations**

There were none.

### **Adjournment**

As there was no further business to come before the Common Council, a motion and a second were made to adjourn at 7:15 p.m. The next regular meeting will be held Monday, December 3, 2012 at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Janet P. Alexander, Clerk-Treasurer  
Enrolled: 11-29-12

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Joseph McGuinness, Mayor

Attest:

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